

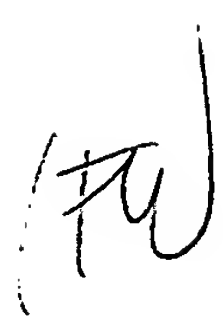
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner of Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the following preliminary amendments be entered:

1. (Previously Amended) A guidance device for a domestic animal comprising:
 - a. primary collar section having a first end and a second end;
 - b. a secondary collar section connected to one of the first end and the second end of the primary collar section; and
 - c. means for reversibly connecting the secondary collar section and the other of the first end and the second end of the primary collar section,

said means for reversibly connecting having a longitudinal axis and being independent of internal rotation about said longitudinal axis, and

said means for reversibly connecting having a reversible fastener for attaching to